

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3783

To provide clarification regarding the market name for bison and compliance with section 403 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2002

Mr. REHBERG (for himself and Mrs. EMERSON) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. MARKET NAMES FOR AMERICAN AND CANA-**
4 **DIAN BISON.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of section 403 of the
6 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, including with re-
7 spect to importation pursuant to section 801 of such Act,
8 the term “buffalo” may not be considered to be a common

1 or usual name for any animal in the genus *Bubalus*
2 unless—

3 (1) the term used in the labeling is “water buf-
4 falo”; and

5 (2) the labeling provides that water buffalo is
6 not American or Canadian bison.

7 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Subsection (a) may
8 not, for purposes referred to in such subsection, be con-
9 strued as prohibiting the use of the term “buffalo” as a
10 common or usual name for the animal *Bison bison bison*
11 (commonly known as the American bison or plains bison),
12 or the animal *Bison bison athabascæ* (commonly known
13 as the Canadian bison or wood bison), unless the term
14 used in the labeling is “water buffalo”.

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